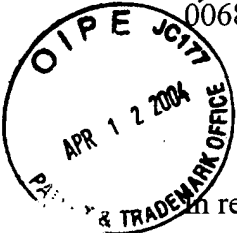


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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Tomoharu HASE)	Examiner: H. Nguyen
Application No.: 09/145,982)	Group Art Unit: 2851
Filed: September 3, 1998)	
For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND DEVICE)	April 12, 2004
MANUFACTURING METHOD INCLUDING)	(Monday)
GAS PURGING OF A SPACE CONTAINING)	
OPTICAL COMPONENTS)	

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Petition for Extension of Time in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	23	MINUS	43	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	13	= 0	x \$42 \$86	\$ 0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$145/\$290						\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0.00

☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed including the additional claims fees.

☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

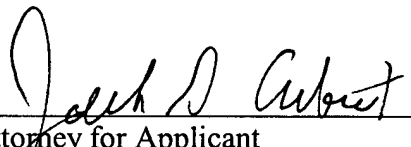
☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 CFR § 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

☒ A check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the extension fee for a one month is enclosed.

☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.

☒ Applicant's attorney, Steven E. Warner, may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2003, for one month from March 11, 2004, up to and including (Monday) April 12, 2004. A check in the amount of \$110.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

In response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows.

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